

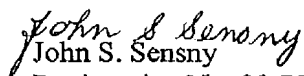
REMARKS

Applicants' undersigned Attorney acknowledges a telephone conference with Examiner Nicolas on January 21, 2004. During this conference, changes to Claim 17 were agreed on to place the Claim, and the application, in condition for allowance.

This Amendment is being submitted to formally make the changes to Claim 17. These changes are being made to improve the form and readability of the claim. It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance.

The undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the telephone conference. If the Examiner believes that a further telephone conference would be helpful, the Examiner is asked to telephone the undersigned.

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